

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An infant formula that is lactose free comprising soy hydrolysate isolate, the soy hydrolysate isolate having a degree of hydrolysis of approximately 4 to about 10% wherein the infant formula further comprises a stabilizer system including rice starch or high amylase corn starch.

Claims 2-4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (original): The infant formula of Claim 1 wherein soy hydrolysate isolate comprises not more than 50% by weight of the protein of the formula.

Claim 6 (original): The infant formula of Claim 1 wherein the formula has a reduced whole soy protein.

Claim 7 (original): The infant formula of Claim 1 including on a ready-to-use basis approximately 0.5 to about 5% by weight protein.

Claim 8 (original): The infant formula of Claim 1 including on a ready-to-use basis:
approximately 0.5% to about 5% by weight protein;
approximately 1% to about 10% carbohydrate; and
approximately 1% to about 10% fat.

Claim 9 (previously presented): An infant formula including:
a protein source that provides approximately 0.5 to about 10% based on weight of the formula and includes soy hydrolysate isolate;
a carbohydrate source;
a fat source;

a stabilizer system including high amylose corn starch; and
vitamins and minerals.

Claim 10 (original): The infant formula of Claim 9 wherein the carbohydrate source provides approximately 1 to about 20% by weight of the content of the formula.

Claim 11 (original): The infant formula of Claim 9 wherein the fat source provides approximately 1 to about 20% by weight of the content of the formula.

Claim 12 (original): The infant formula of Claim 9 wherein the soy hydrolysate isolate has a degree of hydrolysis of approximately 4 to about 10%.

Claim 13 (original): The infant formula of Claim 9 including a stabilizer system based on rice starch.

Claim 14 (canceled)

Claim 15 (original): The infant formula of Claim 9 wherein soy hydrolysate isolate comprises not less than 50% by weight of the protein of the formula.

Claim 16 (original): The infant formula of Claim 9 wherein the formula provides comfort.

Claim 17 (original): The infant formula of Claim 9 including on a ready-to-use basis approximately 0.5 to about 5% by weight protein.

Claim 18 (original): The infant formula of Claim 9 including on a ready-to-use basis:
approximately 0.5% to about 5% by weight protein;
approximately 1% to about 10% carbohydrate; and
approximately 1% to about 10% fat.

Claim 19 (previously presented): A nutritional formulation including:

a protein source that provides approximately 0.5 to about 10% based on weight of the formula and includes soy hydrolysate isolate having a degree of hydrolysis of approximately 4 to about 10%;

a carbohydrate source;

a fat source;

a stabilizer system including high amylose corn starch; and
vitamins and minerals.

Claim 20 (currently amended): A method of providing an infant formula that is lactose free and more easily digested by an infant than at least some lactose free infant formulas comprising the steps of using as a protein source soy hydrolysate isolate, the soy hydrolysate isolate having a degree of hydrolysis of approximately 4 to about 10% wherein the infant formula further comprises a stabilizer system including rice starch or high amylase corn starch.

Claims 21-23 (canceled)

Claim 24 (original): The method of Claim 20 wherein the formula provides comfort.

Claim 25 (original): The method of Claim 20 wherein the formula has a reduced soy allergenicity.

Claim 26 (currently amended): An infant formula in liquid form including:

a protein source that provides approximately 0.5 to about 10% based on weight of the formula and includes soy hydrolysate isolate;

a carbohydrate source;

a fat source;

a stabilizer system including high amylose corn starch and carrageenan; and
vitamins and minerals.

Claim 27 (previously presented): The infant formula of Claim 26 wherein the carbohydrate source provides approximately 1 to about 20% by weight of the content of the formula.

Claim 28 (previously presented): The infant formula of Claim 26 wherein the fat source provides approximately 1 to about 20% by weight of the content of the formula.

Claim 29 (previously presented): The infant formula of Claim 26 wherein the soy hydrolysate isolate has a degree of hydrolysis of approximately 4 to about 10%.

Claim 30 (previously presented): The infant formula of Claim 26 wherein soy hydrolysate isolate comprises not less than 50% by weight of the protein of the formula.

Claim 31 (previously presented): The infant formula of Claim 26 including on a ready-to-use basis approximately 0.5 to about 5% by weight protein.

Claim 32 (previously presented): The infant formula of Claim 26 including on a ready-to-use basis:

approximately 0.5% to about 5% by weight protein;
approximately 1% to about 10% carbohydrate; and
approximately 1% to about 10% fat.

Claim 33 (new): An infant formula that is lactose free comprising soy hydrolysate isolate, the soy hydrolysate isolate having a degree of hydrolysis of approximately 4 to about 10%, wherein the infant formula comprises, in percent by weight of total protein, up to 50% of intact soy protein isolate.

Claim 34 (new): The infant formula of Claim 33 including a stabilizer system based on rice starch.

Claim 35 (new): The infant formula of Claim 33 including a stabilizer system including high amylase corn starch.